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File No. 24855-901

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare, of my own knowledge or on information and belief, that:

My residence, post office address and country of citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I am the original, first and sole inventor, if only one inventor is identified below, or an original, first and joint inventor, if more than one inventor is identified below, of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought and which is entitled:

TOOL AND METHOD FOR FORMING A MULTI FIBER FERRULE

and which is described and claimed:

 X in the attached application including specification and claims if this line is marked, or
 in the original specification and claims filed on as U.S. Patent Application Number or PCT International Application Number

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification and the claims;

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of the application in accordance with 37 CFR §1.56(a). The text of 37 CFR §1.56(a) states,

"A patent by its very nature is affected with a public interest. The public interest is best served, and the most effective patent examination occurs when, at the time an application is being examined, the Office is aware of and evaluates the teachings of all information material to patentability. Each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a patent application has a duty of candor and good faith in dealing with the Office, which includes a duty to disclose to the Office all information known to that individual to be material to patentability as defined in this section. The duty to disclose information exists with respect to each pending claim until the claim is cancelled or withdrawn from consideration, or the application becomes abandoned. Information material to the patentability of a claim that is canceled or withdrawn from consideration need not be submitted if the information is not material to the patentability of any claim remaining under consideration in the application. There is no duty to submit information which is not material to the patentability of any existing claim. The duty to disclose all information known to be material to patentability is deemed to be satisfied if all information known to be material to patentability of any claim issued in a patent was cited by the Office or submitted to the Office in the manner prescribed by §§ 1.97(b)-(d) and 1.98. However, no patent will be granted on an application in connection

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 USC §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

Provisional Application No.: _____
Filing Date: _____

This application is a continuation pursuant to 35 USC §120 of each prior application (if any is identified) identified as follows:

U.S. Serial No.: _____
U.S. Filing Date: _____ Status: _____

This application is a continuation-in-part pursuant to 35 USC §120 of each prior application (if any is identified) identified as follows:

U.S. Serial No.: _____
U.S. Filing Date: _____ Status: _____

and I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(a) which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I claim foreign priority, pursuant to 35 USC §119(a)-(d) of an application for patent or inventor's certificate, and identify below said application (if any is identified) and any such foreign application (if any is identified) having a filing date before that of the application on which foreign priority is claimed;

Application No.: _____ Country: _____
Filing Date: _____

I hereby declare that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and I am warned that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, (18 USC §1001) and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

I hereby appoint Bruce J. W. Istoncroft (Registration No. 32075) and Salvatore Anastasi (Registration No. 39090) whose post office address is: Barley, Snyder, Senft & Cohen, LLC, 126 East King Street, Lancaster, PA 17602-2893, or their duly appointed associate, my attorneys or agents with full powers of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application, to make

alterations and amendments therein, to receive the Letters Patent, and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith.

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In re Application of:

Dimitry G. Grabbe

Group Art Unit: 2839

Application No. 09/908,991

Examiner Zarroli, Michael C.

Filed: July 19, 2001

For: TOOL AND METHOD FOR
FORMING A MULTI FIBER
FERRULE

**REVOCATION OF
FORMER POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND
NEW POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE OF ENTIRE INTEREST**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Cinch Connectors, Inc. (hereinafter the "assignee") is the assignee of record of the entire interest of the above-identified U.S. patent application, and has a place of business at 1700 South Finley Road, Lombard, Illinois 60148

Pursuant to 37 CFR 3.73(b), the undersigned has reviewed evidentiary documents establishing a chain of title from the inventor(s) to the assignee and, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, certifies that title is in the assignee. The enclosed assignment from the inventor(s) to the assignee was sent to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for recording on March 11, 2003.

The assignee hereby revokes all previously given powers of attorney and appoints the following as its attorneys to prosecute and transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected with the application, including the following: to receive all documents issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office based thereon; to file continuation, continuation-in-part and divisional applications based thereon; to pay any and all fees, including maintenance fees for any resulting patent; and to file for reissues and extensions and to request reexamination of any resulting patent. All such powers are to be exercised separately or collectively.

Please recognize Leydig, Voit, & Mayer, Ltd. as Associate Attorneys in this case: Customer Number 23460.



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Application No. 09/908,991

The assignee requests that correspondence concerning this application be directed to
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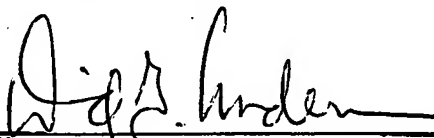


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The assignee also requests that all telephone calls be directed to John M. Augustyn at
(312) 616-5600.

Date: March 14, 2003


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